

## Anniversary Notice.

The Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Western Anti-Slavery Society will be held in Salem, Ohio, on Saturday, the 16th of October, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and continuing probably three days.

The mighty efforts put forth by the South to sustain its institution—the subversion of Northern politicians, who meanly obey the behests of their masters—the cowardice and the truckling policy of the great mass of those who claim to be the opponents of the slave power—the efforts of the abolitionists to preach peace, when there should be no peace, and cannot be, except to cure our nation; these all these demands of the true friends of freedom that they, at least, shall come to be "faithful among the faithless found."

Come up then to the help of the slave against his oppressor—ask your presence, your counsel, your pecuniary aid. Let this annual gathering of the friends of freedom be such as will give new impetus to the cause of liberty. Let it be a demonstration of the power of Truth and Justice, of the existence of an abolitionism which is without concealment—bold, and without compromise—faithful.

WILLIAM LLOYD GARRISON—the pioneer in the cause—has promised to be present at the meeting, and other friends from the East, whose names may be hereafter announced, will probably be in attendance.

BENJ. S. JONES,

Recording Secretary.

REPUTATION OF ABOLITIONISM.—The work of repudiating abolitionism in the Republican party is going on in Ohio. In the Portage, Summit and Stark County District, O. P. Brown, one of the most hearty and thorough of Anti-Slavery politicians failed in his nomination and a more conservative man succeeded. In the Lorain and Wayne County District, Philimon Bliss has been set aside and somebody from Wayne unknown to Anti-Slavery has been honored with a nomination. In the whole Congressional District from this State no one surpasses Mr. Bliss in faithful, anti-slavery speech and action. The ruling majority of the Republicans seem determined to place the party under the management of those old fog politicians who by their subservience to slavery managed to blot out the old Whig party, and who seem incapable of learning wisdom by experience. Their success in repudiating abolitionism seems to fill the democrats with astonishment as well as delight. For example the Cleveland Plain Dealer on the defeat of Giddings turned prophet and uttered its joyful predictions in its native short-boy dialect, as follows:

"His (Giddings), could not come another crisis, for the fact had gone forth that he with each one of his colleagues, Bingham, Bliss, and Mott, who opposed the Montgomery-Crittenden bill so strenuously, must be cast overboard."

"Mott has been defeated—so has Giddings—so will Bliss be. If Bingham is saved, it is because he has more energy, brains, and cunning, than his 'ragged issue' comrades. The war upon him is quite hot, and to the spectators, somewhat interesting, and we shall look on with some degree of interest at the issue. So they go. Sherman, Stanton, Corwin, and the 'conservatives,' all upon the inside track. Chase and his followers are disintegrated."

Those of the Republicans who are accustomed hitherto to regard their party as the party of freedom seem by these and similar developments elsewhere to have their hope and faith somewhat shaken. A most happy indication. The National Era seems somewhat startled by these facts, as we judge by the following question which it asks after a reference to them:

"Is it true that the Republicanism of the free States has become so lukewarm—so anxious for a union with so-called Americanism or Conservatism, that it is ready to throw overboard the long-tried enemies of Slavery? If so, the time will very soon come when Republicanism will find itself unable to use the decided Anti-Slavery sentiment of the country."

We have heard some Republicans talking of going back and organizing another liberty party, which shall protest and labor against slavery itself every where. We hope they will. Such a movement made on consistent anti-slavery principles, is just what we want. A true liberty party which shall have neither companionship or compromise with slavery, would tell upon the country. But we don't look for it. The tender-footed Republicans are now crushed out of power and influence in the party, but they will submit and help "for this once"—hoping that somebody besides a Democrat will be president in 1860, and that some how or other he will do something or other, that won't be so bad as the villainies of Pierce and Buchanan.

THE PHILADELPHIA DEBATE.—The slavery discussion between Parson Brownlow of Tennessee and Rev. Abram Pryne came off last week in Philadelphia. It excited considerable interest and seems to have been well attended. The Parson labored to prove slavery right from the Bible, and brought forth bundles of statistics to prove the superiority of slaveholding society in wealth, man numbers and morals, interspersing the whole with his wit, and gross personalities. He made copious extracts from the Bible, recognizing the relations between master and slave; he is in favor of treating working slaves well and whipping others. His quotations from the Revelations recognizing the appearance of freemen and bondmen at the last day created applause. He contended and endeavored to prove that Slavery had brought more negroes into the church than all the missionary projects combined; that the institution of Slavery was a divine manifestation for christianizing the negro race; that slavery could only work this improvement, and therefore its perpetuation in the Divine will and necessary to humanity. Alluding to Mr. Pryne's remark that until slavery is abolished, our Union will rock and Southern will be obliged to sleep with pistols under their pillows, he replied that Southerners only fear their negroes who possessed, by education, some of their own spirit; if they had only Tankees to fear, they need never sleep with anything worse under their pillows than spike ginets. The largest number of the Southern prisoners are foreigners in the next largest are from the Northern States, of which New York is best represented. The largest number of failures occurred in the North during the recent crisis; that there were more mulattos in the North, and consequently more prostitution among the blacks; that there were more students in the colleges from the South; that the Southern better educated than those from the North, and that there was more bribery among Northern legislators. He here instanced the Michigan officials in the Lacrosse Railroad affair, referring to abolition free love, woman's rights conventions. Mr. Brownlow said he intended starting on a missionary course.

to work in the North, commencing on Boston Common.

The reports speak of Mr. Pryne's conduct of the discussion as creditable.

GERHART SMITH IN NEW YORK.—A correspondent of the Anti-Slavery Standard writes that Mr. Smith is accomplishing a good work of moral agitation in his canvass of the State. Speaking of the meeting in Corland, he says, "The subject Mr. Smith presented to the people in which I felt the deepest interest, were those of Freedom, Temperance and Woman's Rights; and in favor of these he, of course, spoke without concealment and without compromise, and in a most arousing and effective manner. If they [his meeting] are like the one that we had here yesterday, I can but bid him a most hearty 'God speed,' and rejoice that any circumstance has had influence enough to bring him into such a field of labor. Speaking out of his large mind and his great deep heart as he does, he is rousing the minds and hearts of thousands to healthy and vigorous activity in the right direction at least."

POLITICS IN NEW YORK.—The Republicans and Americans of New York attempted a formal union last week for the election of State officers. The Americans however declined finally, and both parties nominated candidates. So they will have at least four candidates for Governor in the field.

A STATESMAN.—The Southern Americans seem more inclined to coalesce with the Republicans than some of their northern brethren. The Louisville Journal pronounces Lynchole a statesman; has published his speeches, and those of Trumbull, and speaks favorably of them.

A writer in the New York Post speaks eulogistically of Lincoln as follows:

Let it be fully understood that Lincoln does not desire to, nor would, under any circumstances, interfere with slavery where it exists in the states; but he will not vote for the admission of a new slave state, who offering with a constitution fairly adopted, and in accordance with the sentiment of the people of such state, and he is at once discredited of the charge of abolitionism, which against him. He is a practical statesman, and as such, would restrain slavery, and the territories, knowing that if these are kept free, the states formed from them would be the same."

JUDGE TANEY CALLED IN QUESTION.—One of the courts of Mississippi has decided that negroes have the rights which white men are bound to respect. A slave holder from that state, after emancipating his slaves in Cincinnati, located them in Indiana, and at his death left them legacies. The question arose in Mississippi whether these persons were disqualified from receiving these legacies on account of their being negroes. The Mississippi Court enlightens us on the rights of negroes as follows:

"But the testator having in good faith emancipated the slaves in Ohio, and domiciled them in Indiana, and left them there, they thereby became free and entitled to hold property according to the laws of the State of Indiana, in the same manner and to the same extent with other negroes in that State. Such an act of emancipation is not in contravention of the laws of this State, nor against its policy."

"The Court further held that though free negroes were not citizens of the United States and though residence in this State is prohibited by positive law, yet they were neither aliens nor outlaws; but are inhabitants and subjects of the State of this Union in which they reside, and as such are entitled to all the rights which those States are proper to confer upon them; they will be entitled to the enjoyment of those rights, in any other State in the Union, as inhabitants of one of the United States and under its protection, unless the exercise should be positively prohibited by the laws of the State in which they reside, or by the laws of the State in which they might claim those rights."

So it seems they are entitled to the rights of "inhabitants and subjects," but not of citizens. That is something.

ANTHONY BURNS.—Some friends send us a marked denunciations of the imprisonment of Anthony Burns in the Massachusetts penitentiary. For the information of our correspondents, we will state that the black Anthony, is now travelling and lecturing in New England with a Panorama illustrating some of the beauties of American Slavery, with which Democrats are so much in favor. The papers say that a white man of the same name is an inmate of the Massachusetts penitentiary, sent there for robbery.

DOUGLASS IS TRAVELLING IN ILLINOIS WITH SPAULDING & ROGERS CIRCUS. He goes with the "great show," and speaks when it is over. The Chicago Tribune speaking of one of the meetings says: "The Little Giant had arranged for the long wagon in which the baggage of the 'Mole Brothers'—miscellaneous balancers, and that of Charles Anthony, the rider of two horses going different ways—were harnessed. The gathered audience wheeled into the ring, and as soon as the first appearance was over, before the hundreds of poor women and children, men and boys, Republicans and Democrats, could effect a retreat, the world's greatest balancer, in the political ring stepped out in the second part of the play."

PRESIDENT BUCHANAN AT THE PRAYER MEETINGS.—The New York Observer informs us that President Buchanan, while at Bedford Springs, was a daily attendant at the Prayer Meetings there, and that he never missed but one meeting while he was in the place, and that was owing to sickness; then he took a deep and solemn interest in knowing all that he could of the progress of the great revival, and especially in our great cities.

Pray, is Mr. Buchanan a candidate for re-nomination at the Charleston Convention? This looks like it.

THE WAY OF THE TRANSGRESSOR IS HARD.—Broady, the colored man who betrayed the two fugitives who were captured in Cincinnati recently, after escaping, not unscathed, perils among his colored brethren in Cincinnati, is now in equal tribulation in Detroit. The Detroit Advertiser of the 10th, says:

"The excitement among the colored people concerning Broady, the alleged kidnapper, still continues, with but little apparent abatement. Broady still remains in jail, and it is unsafe, as yet, to bring him out. During last night and the night before, large crowds of colored people, numbering two or three hundred, gathered about the jail, watching every place of egress. During the day small parties are also continually on the watch, in the neighborhood. The idea seems to prevail among them that nothing will come of Broady's trial on the warrant upon which he is arrested for offering and threatening to shoot another man in the street, but that he was placed in jail simply to be protected against them, and that the authorities intended, when a convenient opportunity appears to quietly slip him out of jail and let him go where he pleases. This however is not the case. As soon as it is deemed safe to bring him out, he will be examined in the Police Court for the crime for which he was arrested. Those who were arrested for aiding and abetting the flight, taken out the next day, were admitted to bail. Their examinations are set down, one for to-day, one to-morrow, and two are adjourned until October."

## THE CAPTURED NEGROES IN THE "ECHO."

The Charleston Mercury of the 20th inst. publishes the following communication from "A South Carolina Patriot."

Mr. Editor: Your very interesting account of these people almost renders further description unnecessary. But as some of the recent contributions to your paper presented a picture altogether bright, I would be glad to show both sides.

Of those in health, or comparatively so, I found about 250 of whom some 50 were females. There were about 50 others (I do not pretend to exactness in figures) in the sick wards, in various stages of disease. You have already shown that the negroes are from almost under the Equator—latitude 5° 38' S. Longitude 122° 20' E. In the few books to which I have had access since I saw them, I have not found them described. Even the explorations of the Central African Expedition, in the southern part, Barth's volumes, so far as he has gone, are descriptive of North and Central Africa—so that I am left somewhat at a loss for references. The negroes are of various ages, from thirty years to a few months old. Some, I should judge, have been born on the passage. It is wonderful how either mother or infant survived such an event.

It has already been stated that they belong to various tribes. This is soon apparent from the difference of shades, from their being congregated in separate groups, and the evident inability to converse generally with each other. I observed nothing like general concert of thought or action among them, except in the chanting and singing of hymns. In these all, under the leadership of one man, the largest among them, united.

It has also been noticed that these Africans are far below the size common to the same age of negroes among us. This is understood from their height; for, emancipated as most of them are, no one better skilled in human anatomy than I am, could conjecture what their weight, in health, would be. Among the whole number, it struck me that the man above referred to may be a pair of five feet eight inches high—a few more may reach five feet six; but besides these, there did not seem to be any of the men who were over five feet two or three inches. Some few, half a dozen, perhaps, of the men, and a few women, seemed in good health and condition. It is supposed that these exceptions of the former were such as were not towed away in the hold, but were employed in working about the slaver. The women, some unexplained reason, were undoubtedly in better condition than the men. You have already stated that the latter were wholly nude, and the former nearly so. One of the most singular of the exhibitions I saw was that of a woman whose hands were adorned by a pair of iron gloves—almost her only covering. There was scarcely any comeliness among them; and the only one whose appearance agreeably attracted attention was the so styled Princess, whose tattooing certainly gave evidence of great dexterity and skill in the art.

I have no pretensions to science, and must leave the ethnological questions to the learned, who, I trust, are engaged in their investigations. But to the casual observer, the difference of tribes is quite evident. I was surprised that few or none exhibited the very thick lips and flat noses which we are accustomed to see in the African. The hair would doubtless be kinky, but, in accordance with the usage of slaves, it had been shaved, and the scalp was covered with a smooth oil. Our communications with them were made in part by signs, which they understood readily, and in part through an interpreter. This man was one of the slaver's crew, who did not profess knowledge of any language but that of his own country. A cunning knowledge of Portuguese, from having worked on ships, &c., on the coast, and in this language he conversed with the interpreter. It was evident they understood each other, for upon our party asking the sailor to show us the Congo tribe, the negro turned three men, who took their place before us, and I distinctly heard him say "Congo." I was struck with their teeth—some were even as usual. One tribe had the two central upper front teeth set out in a separate and prominent manner. The front teeth were sharpened to a point. Many of the negroes, especially with the aid of an old flannel shirt or trousers, looked as familiar as household or plantation slaves. In fact, the features and expression reminded us of familiar faces at home.

The result of the whole visit was intense sympathy for them and indignation towards their captors. You may read of the horrors of the "middle passage," but he had cannot be so graphic as the view of these unfortunate will tell the tale. Evidently, drugged and opium-eaten, all believe, the productions of contact, want of ventilation and want of exercise—are the prevailing diseases. But even where these were not visible, the spectacle was harrowing. A stranger taken down from the nail of a doctor's closet, and presented to your view, would scarcely be more descriptive of anatomy than many of these living, walking specimens of the human frame. The effect was very startling, when you saw them cowering, their hands, which they kneed drawn up behind their elbows, in an attitude common to apes and baboons, but which no human frame clothed in flesh can attain. Some, when sitting and told to rise, did so with great difficulty, and moved with a step as tottering as if they were after illness. The very head seemed but a skull encased in a black covering. It is common to speak of a man being reduced to skin and bone, but one who saw these can scarcely use the expression again.

But if this is to be said of those comparatively in health, what language can describe the sick? I saw one poor creature swollen to the most wonderful size with dropsy; and as he lay on his back he moved his hands, signifying to one of our party a request for his cigar, which, when given, he smoked with the greatest avidity. Another manifested similar wants, and replied to our beckonings to come to us, by holding to his leg, which we construed into inability to move. Two lay near, whose troubles here had caused in both of them another, the most affecting sight of all—a child of six or eight years, lay on its side in the sun on the stone walk, with eyes closed and no other evidence of life than the slightest motion of the stomach indicating breathing. The poor creature, lying and contending, had rested its head on its little hand as naturally as our own little ones do, in this touching attitude of suffering childhood was fast losing the consciousness of a life whose experience had been only that of sorrow and suffering.

One thing impressed me forcibly—the complete docility amounting to mere mechanical submission, of all these creatures. In the sick ward the physicians were applying caustic to the eyes of his patients. When this painful remedy was applied—and poor creatures, they knew not that it was a remedy, or anything but part of the system of cruelty to which they had been subjected—they covered their faces with their hands in pain and with their heads all bowed in meek submission; and though many were young children, not a sound or a murmur escaped. The scene was truly touching. To one of any sensibility, the horrors of a battle-field were less so. I left the scene chastened and humbled by what gratitude, too, I trust to Almighty God for a lot cast in a Christian land.

These negroes, purchased on the West Coast at from 50 cents to \$1, and costing scarcely more than \$10 or \$15 to be delivered on the coast of Cuba, were all to be sold by contract at \$500 round, and eight and eighty dollars (\$177.20) for the negro. Such gains are too tempting to be resisted by those who make haste to be rich.

A CHARLESTONIAN.

## ARRIVAL OF THE DOLPHIN AT NEW YORK CITY—CAPT. TOWNSEND OF THE "ECHO" ON BOARD—HIS STATEMENT.

QUAEBURY, Sept. 6—2 P. M.

The United States ship Dolphin arrived last night, and anchored in the bay off this point. It immediately proceeded to her and had an interview with Commander J. N. Maffi. She came to this port supposing that Lieut. Bradford of the Dolphin, with the prize crew of the slave ship Echo, captured by the Dolphin, was awaiting her arrival in accordance with orders. The order, however, had been countermanded by Mr. Lee of the Navy, who ordered the crew to proceed to Boston.

The Dolphin had on board Capt. Townsend, the

commander of the Echo, as a prisoner. He will be taken to the custody of a United States Marshal of South Carolina, who has the Echo in custody for adjudication, and the Dolphin will proceed tomorrow for Boston.

Capt. Townsend is a native of Rhode Island, and has a wife and three children residing in Providence. He is about 33 years of age, and a man of superior address and education. He is tall and well formed, and has prepossessing features. He has light hair, large manly whiskers, and is scrupulously neat in his dress. He speaks freely on the affairs of the voyage of the Echo, and states that he was driven to engage in the slave trade because of ill success in his voyages in legitimate commerce. After the Echo left New Orleans, he states that he called the crew ashore, and said to them that he proposed to go in the slave trade, and promised them \$500 each if they would continue upon the voyage. The Portuguese and Spaniards were probably aware of the nature of the voyage before it was projected. All the crew except the captain, the purser, and the surgeon, were taken to the Echo. Instead of proceeding to St. Thomas, for which port she had shipped, the Echo shaped her course for the Coast of Africa. When she reached Congo River, she landed 120 Spaniards, the slaves who were to be taken to the coast for water and fresh provisions. They were chased from this island by a French brig-of-war, from which they escaped in a fog.

Returning to the coast, they took 470 slaves on board, 150 of whom died on the passage. Capt. Townsend then gave up the command of the vessel to a Spaniard, and shipped as a passenger on the brig. This is the first time in the slave trade to avoid the responsibility in case of capture. The Spanish captain, Spritz, calculated his reckoning incorrectly, the brig ran ashore in the night at Abaco, in the Bahama Islands. Floating off at high water, she proceeded on her voyage, and at day-light passed Sagua la Grande, where she captured the Dolphin, making her the American colors. She supposed the Dolphin to be a Spanish brig, which had hoisted British colors for a ruse, not supposing that there was any American vessel war cruising among the West Indies, or if there was, that any American vessel would not sufficient interest in the matter to interfere. When it became evident that the Dolphin was gaining on her, the crew of the slave knocked out the hedges from the masts and saved down and cast overboard her bulwarks, to increase her speed. At the same time the liquor-closets were opened, and the excitement of the chase was heightened by the general intoxication of the crew. No less exciting was the scene on board the Dolphin, when she ran up American colors, and the Dolphin immediately hauled down the British flag and ran up the stars and stripes. The next shot fired passed between the masts of the slave, and seeing that she was entirely at the mercy of the Dolphin, the Echo then hauled down the British flag, and the Dolphin's men were confident of a capture, and this confidence was increased when it became evident that they were rapidly gaining on the slave. Already the negroes were observed on the deck of the Echo, and a chase of nearly nine hours followed. 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